



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 6:00 A.M. EDT, Thursday, October 1, 2026, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 12:00 P.M. EDT TOMORROW.

WARNINGS:

Severe Weather Potential: There is a *slight* to *moderate* risk of heavy showers and embedded thunderstorms that will move northwards across the Northern and Northwest Bahamas throughout the day. These storms could produce strong gusty winds, frequent lightning, heavy downpours and waterspout activity. *Residents and visitors should monitor for the issuance of any severe weather warnings by the Bahamas Department of Meteorology.*

Rip Currents: There is a *moderate* risk of rip currents across all Atlantic waters. *Beachgoers and swimmers are urged to exercise caution.*

GENERAL SITUATION:

Brisk winds associated with building high pressure will support choppy to rough seas across exposed waters today, with locally higher seas possible near showers and thunderstorms. A moist and unstable airmass will continue to produce cloudy skies, localized showers, and thunderstorms across much of the island chain. Conditions should gradually improve through tonight as the main area of weather shifts northward.

Outlook: Seas should gradually subside as winds ease and a drier airmass moves into the area by Saturday, reducing shower and thunderstorm activity through the weekend. By late Sunday, an upper-level disturbance and an approaching cold front will support an increase in unsettled weather across portions of the island chain through mid-week. Mariners should be alert for locally higher seas, gusty winds, and reduced visibility near showers and thunderstorms.

NORTHERN BAHAMAS
(INCLUDING GRAND BAHAMA, ABACO, BIMINI & ADJACENT WATERS):

- ADVISORY: A *small craft caution* is in effect for Atlantic waters. *Expect gusty winds and higher seas in or near heavy showers and thunderstorms.*
- WINDS: East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts.
- LOCAL SEAS: 1 to 3 feet in sheltered nearshore waters. 2 to 4 feet in sheltered offshore waters. 3 to 5 feet in the Gulf Stream. 4 to 6 feet in Atlantic waters.
- SWELLS: Slight northeasterly swells impacting Atlantic exposures.
- WEATHER: 30 – 50% chance of showers with thunderstorms.

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS
(INCLUDING NEW PROVIDENCE, ANDROS, THE BERRY ISLANDS, ELEUTHERA & ADJACENT WATERS):

- ADVISORY: A *small craft caution* is in effect for Atlantic waters. *Expect gusty winds and higher seas in or near heavy showers and thunderstorms.*
- WINDS: East to southeast at 15 knots.
- LOCAL SEAS: 2 to 3 feet in sheltered nearshore waters. 3 to 5 feet in sheltered offshore waters. 4 to 6 feet in Atlantic waters.
- SWELLS: Slight northeasterly swells impacting Atlantic exposures.
- WEATHER: 40 – 60% chance of showers with thunderstorms today, decreasing to a 20 – 40% chance tonight.

CENTRAL BAHAMAS
(INCLUDING EXUMA, CAT ISLAND, LONG ISLAND, SAN SALVADOR, RUM CAY & ADJACENT WATERS):

- ADVISORY: A *small craft caution* is in effect.
- WINDS: Easterly at 15 to 20 knots
- LOCAL SEAS: 2 to 3 feet in sheltered nearshore waters. 3 to 5 feet in sheltered offshore waters. 4 to 7 feet in Atlantic waters.
- SWELLS: Slight northeasterly swells impacting Atlantic exposures.
- WEATHER: 20 – 40% chance of showers with thunderstorms, decreasing to a 10 – 30% chance of showers by the evening hours.



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SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS

(INCLUDING INAGUA, ACKLINS, CROOKED ISLAND, MAYAGUANA, RAGGED ISLAND & ADJACENT WATERS):

ADVISORY: A **small craft advisory** in effect for Atlantic waters. A **small craft caution** will be in effect for the remainder of the area waters. **Expect gusty winds and higher seas in or near heavy showers and thunderstorms.**

WINDS: Easterly at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts.

LOCAL SEAS: 2 to 4 feet in sheltered nearshore waters. 4 to 6 feet in sheltered offshore waters. 5 to 7 feet in Atlantic waters.

SWELLS: Slight northeasterly swells impacting Atlantic exposures.

WEATHER: 10 – 30% chance of showers.

MOONSET:

12:09 PM

MOONRISE:

10:43 PM

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
HIGH TIDE:	12:02 P.M.	11:53 A.M.	11:55 A.M.	12:09 P.M.
LOW TIDE:	6:26 P.M.	6:24 P.M.	6:17 P.M.	6:46 P.M.

(For specific times for other islands, please see [Tide Table Publication](#).)

TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK:

The tropics are quiet. No new tropical cyclones are anticipated to develop within the next seven days.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR FRIDAY 2ND OCTOBER 2026:

ADVISORY: A **small craft caution** will be in effect for the **Central and Southeast Bahamas**.

WINDS: **Northern and Northwest Bahamas:** East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts.
Central and Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at 15 to 20 knots.

SEAS: **Northern and Northwest Bahamas:** 2 to 4 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters and 3 to 5 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and on the Atlantic waters.
Central and Southeast Bahamas: 2 to 4 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters and 4 to 6 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and on the Atlantic waters.

WEATHER: **All areas:** 20 – 40% chance of showers with possible thunderstorms.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2026:

ADVISORY: A **small craft caution** will remain in effect for the **Southeast Bahamas**.

WINDS: **Northern and Northwest Bahamas:** East-northeast to east-southeast at 10 to 15 knots, falling light and variable at times.
Central Bahamas: Easterly at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts.
Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at 15 to 20 knots.

SEAS: **Northern, Northwest and Central Bahamas:** 2 to 4 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters and 3 to 5 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and on the Atlantic waters.
Southeast Bahamas: 2 to 4 feet nearshore on the sheltered waters and 4 to 6 feet offshore on the sheltered waters and on the Atlantic waters.

WEATHER: **All areas:** 10 – 30% chance of showers.

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